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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SPANISH FORK RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF LIONS FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SPANISH FORK, UTAH.

Donald Norseth called the meeting to order and gave a brief report on the water out-lookfor 1974, our area shows about 140 % of normal. Expects to see Utah Lake reach compromise point about March 1, 1974. The gates to Jordan River are open and have been all winter. Most all reservoirs are fulland have been for some timeand are saturated. Will need to be watched to prevent loss of dams, some were lost last year including the one in Payson Canyon.

The minutes of the last annual meeting held January 25, 1973 were read by secretary Nielsen and upon a motion by Allen Galt, Seconded by Harvey Adams,

the minutes were accepted as read.

Keith Hansen read and explained the 1973 financial report from the State Engineer's office. Upon a motion by Reed Christmas seconded by Rex Hiatt, the financial report was accepted as read.

Lynn Mendenhall gave the River Commissioner's report, a copy of the same

is attached.

The proposed budget for 1974 was read by secretary Nielsen and upon a Motion by Rex Hiatt seconded by Allen Galt, the proposed budget was accepted as read.

Chairman Huff reported that the committee wanted to recommend Lynn Mendenhall to act as River Commissioner and Ronald Davis to act as Deputy River Commissioner for the irrigation season 1974.

Mr. Norseth said he would accept the recommendations and make the

apointments.

Mr. Norseth said they have checked wells in Utah County and those found to be running unchecked they have recommended capping or valves

to keep wells under control.

Mr. Huff told Mr. Norseth that the River Committee had agreed to pay to The Strawberry Water User's Ass'n., \$ 600.00 per year as one half of the rent for the home and office of the River Commissioerand ask if this could be collected by the State Engineer's Office on river water only.

Mr. Norseth said it could be done.

Mr. Olsen said he didn't like paying rent, said he would rather pay a higher wage and let the River Commissioner pay his own rent.

After some discussion, there was a motion by Reed Christmas seconded by Hal Farr, that we go along the way it was proposed in our planning meeting, held January 7, 1974. The motion carried with one opposing vote. Keith Hansen explained the water rights statements in the papers, all claims will have to be made on wells and and other rights, said they are working in the out lying areas now and will work into the more consentrated areas later on, Irrigation Companies to wait untill they are contacted.

Snell Olsen said we still don't. have a commitment with the Water Conservancy District on how our water will be handled at the Hayes Dam, recommended that we call a special meeting with them and get an agreement in ari

writing as to how our water will be handled.

Lynn Mendenhall expressed appreciation for the work done by this group

in his behalf.

Ronald Davis said he enjoyed the work and felt that with the experience he has had, he should be able to do a better job.

> Motion to adjour 11:45 A. M. Ronald C. Willsen

Ronald C. Nielsen Secretary